ORDER OF EVENTS

THE STATE OF MICHIGAN COMMEMORATES

THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE RETURN OF THE CIVIL WAR VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR BATTLE FLAGS AND

THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAVE THE FLAGS JULY 9th, 2016

State Capitol open to the public for guided tours 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Re-enactor check in and registration starting at 10:00 a.m.—Seventh Michigan Infantry table/tent

10:30 a.m. flag adoption ceremony in Capitol rotunda honoring:

The Multi Lakes Association for Civil War Studies

Ms. Rebecca Efird

The late Ms. Gretchen Starr

11:00 a.m. Demonstration and firing by the First Michigan Light Artillery, Battery D

11:00 a.m. Vernors pop courtesy of Dr. Pepper/Snapple Group/Vernors

11:30 a.m. performance by the Fifth Michigan Regiment Band

12:00 p.m. Battery demonstration and firing by the First Michigan Light Artillery Battery

12:00 p.m. Boston Coolers courtesy of Dr. Pepper/Snapple Group/Vernors

And Hudsonville Ice Cream

12:30 Infantry demonstration and musket firing

1:00 p.m. ceremony will include troops marching in under the escort of the Michigan National Guard Color Guard, posting of the colors, stacking of arms, troops will then be dispersed during the ceremony and reformed for the retirement of the colors and the musket volley at the end of the ceremony. Several reenactor flags and a Grand Army of

the Republic flag will be donated to Save The Flags. Ms. Kerry Chartkoff, Founding chair of Save The Flags will be presented with the Milliken/Adams/Kelley 2016 award for Michigan Historic Preservation.

Ms. Emily Ernst will also be honored for her third flag adoption.

2:30 p.m. 126th Michigan National Guard Marching Band concert

Feel free to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic lunches.

Parking for the event is available in the west lot directly behind the Capitol—entrance off Allegan Street and parking is free on all city streets surrounding the Capitol.